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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on 9 September 2008. Allowance of the above identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks, where:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

